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Group III - Claim 15 drawn to intermediates (formula IV-b).

Group IV - Claims 1-4 and 10-14, drawn to compounds, compositions and methods of treatment using formula I, wherein both X, Y and G₁ to G₄ are drawn to remaining subject matter.

Applicants traverse this rejection, in part, and partial rejoinder of the claims is respectfully requested. Specifically, Applicants request that Group I be revised to be

Group I - Claims 1-9 (in part), 11-14 (in part) and 16, drawn to compounds, compositions and methods of treatment using formula I, wherein X is -CH and Y represents N, one or two of G₁ to G₃ is N and G₄ is -CH.

And, compounds of formula (VI).

Applicants do not believe that thus revising Group I would place an undue burden upon the Examiner for searching. The proposed revised Group I encompasses the compounds of Examples 361-384 of the specification.

Applicants further elect Group I (preferably with the proposed revisions) for examination on the merits.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the present application he is requested to please contact MaryAnne Armstrong, Ph.D. (Reg. No. 40,069) in the Washington DC area, at (703) 205-8000.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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